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All Bernalillo County Fitness & Aquatic Centers are Now FREE to Senior Citizens

*Bernalillo County Commissioners make a bold move to accommodate the
seniors of Bernalillo County*

BERNALILLO COUNTY- All senior citizens, ages 55 and older, will now be able to access all of the Bernalillo County Fitness and Aquatic Centers free of charge. The Bernalillo County Commission passed an administrative resolution in order to help the senior citizens of our community access fitness recreation programs without the hassle or strain of paying for a membership.

"We are honored to assist all citizens in our community, especially those who have contributed in various ways as members of our community and who may now, need our support. Our seniors are the backbone of this community," Says Commission Chairman Art De La Cruz. "This resolution opens the doors literally for our seniors, many who are on fixed-incomes, to use our County facilities. This action by County government helps the seniors maintain a healthy pocketbook and life."

Seniors will be able to access all the Bernalillo County run fitness centers- Rio Grande, Westside, Los Padillas, and Raymond G Sanchez Fitness Center without being charged for the Bernalillo County fitness recreation programs. The usual fee for these programs is \$25.00 for 20 visits.

This resolution expires on December 31, 2010, prior to that date the Bernalillo County Commission will readdress the issue and determine the longevity of the program.

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